Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 22 with the following amended paragraph:

The primary is the object 113 in the data center 101 (the initiator's data center) and it has chosen a default receiver, the object 115, as the object in data center 102 to receive communications. If the primary object 113 in data center 101 times out after waiting for an acknowledgement from the default receiver object 115, it simply selects another object in data center 102 to be the new receiver, e.g., a new receiver object, the object 114. It should be noted that the primary object 113 may suspect the default receiver object 115 to have crashed. This may be a false suspicion[[s]] so the same message, such as an propagation message 144, may be sent to two or more objects in a given remote data center. To guarantee that each object is invoked once, it is necessary to keep track of such duplication. Standard techniques can be used for this. For example, a unique unit identifier (UUID) can be associated with each message, and the receiver can then remember which messages has been received, and only use the same message for a single invocation.